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Inspection of immigrants at Ponce for the week ended August 16, 1902.

PONCE, P. R., August 17, 1902.

SIR: Through the chief quarantine officer for Porto Rico, I submit herewith report of alien steerage passengers arriving at this port during the week ended August 16, 1902. August 10, Spanish steamship *Argentino*, from Barcelona, Valencia, Alicante, Torrevieja, Malaga, Cadiz, Canary Islands, San Juan, and Mayaguez, with 3 immigrants.

Respectfully,

W. W. KING,
Assistant Surgeon.

The SURGEON-GENERAL.

Report of immigrants inspected at the port of Ponce, P. R., during the month of July, 1902.

Total number of immigrants inspected, 59 ; number passed, 59.

W. W. KING,
Assistant Surgeon.

The SURGEON-GENERAL.

Report from San Juan.

SAN JUAN, P. R., August 8, 1902.

SIR: I have the honor to submit herewith the following report of quarantine transactions at this and the several subports of the island of Porto Rico, for the month of July, 1902 :

San Juan.—Number of vessels inspected, 15 ; number of bills of health issued, 28 ; number of vessels held in quarantine, 2 ; number of pieces of baggage disinfected, 63 ; number of sacks of mail disinfected, 6 ; number of persons detained in quarantine at the island, 19 ; number of persons vaccinated, 34 ; number of vessels disinfected, none.

On the 17th instant the French steamer *Olinde Rodriguez* arrived from St. Marc, Gonaives, Petit Goave, Port au Prince, Cape Haitien, Puerto Plata, and Sanchez, with 6 cabin and 30 steerage passengers for Porto Rico. Twelve of these passengers were detained at the quarantine station as nonimmunes, the remainder being permitted to land as immunes. Thirty-six pieces of baggage and 4 sacks of mail were removed to the island and disinfected. The vessel was held in quarantine under guard while remaining at this port. The detained passengers were released from quarantine, all being well, upon the 22d instant.

The Cuban steamship *Julia*, from Cuban and Dominican ports, entered on the 19th instant, being upon her regular schedule and having been subjected to her usual disinfection at Santiago de Cuba just prior to clearing for Porto Rico. This vessel carried clean bills of health and was granted free pratique. Her passengers being immunes, were allowed to land.

On the 20th, the Spanish steamship *Montserrat* arrived from Havana, Port Limon, Colon, Sabanilla, Puerto Cabello, and La Guaira via Ponce, with 18 cabin and 17 steerage passengers for Porto Rico. Seven of these passengers being nonimmunes, they were taken to the island and held in quarantine the necessary observation period. Seventeen pieces of baggage and 1 sack of mail were removed and disinfected. The vessel was held in quarantine under guard while she remained at this port.

The Cuban steamship *Maria Herrera* entered upon the 29th upon her regular schedule from Cuban and Dominican ports. She had undergone

disinfection at Santiago de Cuba prior to clearing for Porto Rico. This vessel was granted free pratique, and all of her passengers for Porto Rican ports being immunes, they were allowed to land. Ten pieces of baggage and 1 sack of mail were disinfected here.

I inclose herein vital statistics of the city of San Juan.

The following embraces a report of the number of vessels inspected during the month at the subports: Mayaguez, 10; Arecibo, 3; Humacao, 2; Aguadilla, 4; Fajardo, 3; Arroyo, 3.

The following are the mortality statistics from the subports: Mayaguez, 125; Arecibo, 119; Humacao, 46; Aguadilla, 36; Fajardo, 36; Arroyo, 26.

Respectfully,

H. S. MATHEWSON,

Passed Assistant Surgeon,

Chief Quarantine Officer for Porto Rico.

The SURGEON-GENERAL.

[Inclosure.]

Vital statistics of San Juan, P. R., for the month of July, 1902.

Anæmia.....	2	Meningitis	1
Aortic insufficiency.....	1	Mitral insufficiency.....	3
Asystolia	1	Nephritis	2
Athrepsia	2	Paralysis	1
Bronchitis.....	8	Pernicious fever	2
Cardiac lesion.....	2	Peritonitis	3
Caries of facial bones.....	1	Pneumonia.....	4
Cerebral congestion.....	1	Serous congestion.....	1
Encephalitis	1	Tetanus.....	2
Endocarditis.....	1	Tuberculosis.....	7
Enteritis.....	4		
Entero-colitis.....	2	Total	67
Gastric tumor.....	1		
Gastro-enteritis.....	7	July, 1901—	
Hypertrophy of liver.....	2	Births	73
Icterus.....	1	Deaths	56
Leprosy.....	1	July, 1902—	
Malaria.....	2	Births	80
Measles.....	1	Deaths	67

Inspection of immigrants at San Juan and subports for the week ended August 9, 1902.

SAN JUAN, P. R., August 12, 1902.

SIR: I submit herewith report of alien steerage passengers arriving at this port during the week ended August 9, 1902. August 3, French steamship *Ferdinand de Lesseps*, from Havre, Bordeaux and St. Thomas, with 9 immigrants. August 7, Spanish steamship *Argentino*, from Barcelona, Valencia, Alicante, Torrevieja, Malaga, Las Palmas, Tenerife, and La Palma, with 4 immigrants. Total, 14.

Respectfully,

H. S. MATHEWSON,

Passed Assistant Surgeon,

Chief Quarantine Officer for Porto Rico.

The SURGEON-GENERAL.

SAN JUAN, P. R., August 12, 1902.

SIR: I submit herewith report of alien steerage passengers arriving during the week ended August 9, 1902, at the subports of Porto Rico. *Mayaguez*.—August 3, French steamship *Salvador*, from Fort de